

MINUTES OF HAMILTON COUNTY COUNCIL, JANUARY 9th, 2002, 6:30 P.M.

GENERALIZED SUMMARY

VERBATIM DISCUSSION ON TAPE ON FILE IN AUDITOR'S OFFICE

The Hamilton County Council met in Executive Session on January 9th, 2002 at 6:30 p.m. in Conference Room 1A of the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center to discuss Land Acquisition. Executive session adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Hamilton County Auditor Robin M. Mills called the regular meeting to order, by stature the auditor shall preside over the organizational meeting until a president is elected. Auditor Mills called the meeting to order and called roll: Jim Belden, Meredith Carter, Judy Levine, Christine Altman, Rick McKinney, Brad Beaver and John Hiatt. Auditor Mills declared a quorum.

Everyone stood for prayer given by Councilor Carter and remained standing for the pledge of allegiance.

The first order of business was to take nominations for president. Councilor Altman nominated Councilor Judy Levine for president for 2002. Councilor Belden seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

President Levine asked for nominations for vice president for 2002. Councilor Altman nominated Councilor Meredith Carter. Councilor Beaver seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

Councilor Altman moved to reappoint John Culp as Hamilton County Council Attorney for 2002. Councilor Carter seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

Following is a list for the 2002 Liaison Board Members:

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

COUNCIL PARLIAMENTARIAN

ADVISORY COUNCIL

Meredith Carter

John Hiatt (4th Wednesday at 9:00 a.m.)

ISSD

HEALTH BOARD

Judy Levine

Judy Levine

Assistant: Brad Beaver

Assistant: Christine Altman

JANUS DEVELOPMENT

PARK BOARD

Meredith Carter

Rick McKinney

Assistant: Jim Belden

SOLID WASTE BOARD

TOURISM BOARD

Jim Belden (4th Monday at Noon)

Assistant: Judy Levine

TOWNSHIP ASSESSOR/TRUSTEES

Meredith Carter

Assistant: Christine Altman

INSURANCE BOARD

Meredith CarterADVISORY BOARD

Assistant: Christine Altman

Assistant: Judy Levine

JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER

Jim Belden

Meredith Carter

SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION

DISTRICT (Yearly Appointment)

Judy Levine

Assistant: John Hiatt

GIS BOARD

Judy Levine

Assistant: Brad Beaver

SURVEYOR

Brad Beaver

PROBATION DEPARTMENT

Brad Beaver

Following is a list for the 2002 Council Committees:

PERSONNEL AND MANAGEMENT

Meredith Carter

Jim Belden

Judy Levine

Assistant: Christine Altman

EXTENSION BOARD

John A. Hiatt

Assistant: Judy Levine

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

Jim Belden

PROSECUTOR

Jim Belden

AVIATION BOARD

Brad Beaver

Assistant: Rick McKinney

HUMANE SOCIETY

Judy Levine

Assistant: Meredith Carter

SAFETY COMMITTEE

Christine Altman

EMS

John Hiatt

FINANCE/BUDGET

Christine Altman

Judy Levine

Judy Levine

HIGHWAY/BRIDGE

Christine Altman

Brad Beaver

Rick McKinney

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Jim Belden

Meredith

Assistant: Judy Levine

EMS

John Hiatt

Rick McKinney

SHERIFF BOARD

Rick McKinney

Jim Belden

Judy Levine

NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE

Meredith Carter

Judy Levine

Rick McKinney

SECURITY COMMITTEE

Brad Beaver

Councilor Hiatt moved to reappoint Janet Kennedy to the Westfield Economic Development Board. Councilor Altman seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

Councilor Belden moved to approve minutes of October 24, 2001. Councilor Beaver seconded motion. Motion carried (5-0-2) with Councilors Levine & McKinney, who were not in attendance, abstaining.

Councilor Beaver moved to approve minutes of December 5, 2001. Councilor Hiatt seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

Councilor Altman moved to approve minutes of the January 9, 2002 Executive Session on Land Acquisition. Councilor Beaver seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Dick Frost - Typed commentary included in book 49 with official record.

COMMITTEE / OFFICER REPORTS

President

President Levine thanked Jim Vaughn for his analysis of Solid Waste and she looks forward to Commissioner Clark returning with the Solid Waste Board's thoughts on suggestions given by the Council at their December 5, 2001 meeting.

Vice President

No Comments

Highway

Councilor Beaver reported the committee met with the Highway Tuesday, January 8th and went over the bonding formula. Strawtown Avenue should be open today. There is a resolution for the purchase of right of way that will be discussed tonight.

Councilor Altman reported 146th Street is open four lanes each side and the signal at Gray Road is functioning.

Councilor Beaver moved to pass Resolution 01-09-02-1 concerning the purchase of real estate for the 131st Street Project. Councilor Hiatt seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

Finance

Councilor Levine reported the committee has a meeting scheduled for Monday, January 14, 2002.

GIS

Larry Stout reported on the following:

- We have received 27% of the base map update from Woolpert. This consists of the western 52 miles of the county, and has kept us very busy with QC.
- The Polis Center will be conducting a needs assessment to determine how the SAVI project can benefit Hamilton County and what additional data, applications, and analysis would be most useful to us.

Personnel

Councilor Levine reported the committee will be meeting in the next couple weeks.

Fiscal Grant Analyst

Mr. Vaughn presented to the council a proposed reconfiguration of the Council Chambers that will allow for 8 cubicle areas and a computer workstation. Councilor Beaver requested that Councilor Levine present this plan to the Board of Commissioners. Councilor Beaver thanked Mr. Vaughn for his report on the Household Hazardous Waste project. Councilor Altman reported the finance committee will be meeting with the Commissioners on Monday, January 14, 2002 to develop some concepts now that the grant has been approved to facilitate that building without a lot of added county burden. Councilor Belden also thanked Barry McNulty for his work on the Household Hazardous Waste project.

Mr. Vaughn presented a calendar for the proposed retreat and requested the council mark days they would be available. Councilor Levine explained to the audience the council was trying to set up the annual retreat with the commissioners to talk about projects for this year and perhaps next year. She also stated for the record the Fiscal body is calling this meeting.

Mr. Vaughn presented to the council information on County Government Day hosted by Association of Indiana Counties on February 12, 2002. Applications were given to the council members. Councilor Altman stated this date may become very important because the Supreme Court just reinforced the state statute which requires local government to provide indigent council

on civil cases. That statute has the potential to become very costly and needs to be repealed. Councilor Levine encouraged the council to attend at least the council portion of this meeting.

Miscellaneous

Mr. Tom Firks, EMS Director proposed meeting with Council Attorney John Culp to evaluate EMS contracts and come back to the Hamilton County Council with recommendations on increasing fees charged for ALS and BLS payments. Mr. Firks explained that he anticipated these increases when preparing his 2002 budget request and attempted to reflect the increase in this year's budget. Councilor Altman requested he project the fiscal impact to Hamilton County for the 2002 budget year and the county's cost for 2001. Auditor Robin Mills requested the 4th quarter report from EMS and that she be notified of the meeting date and time.

Mr. Bob Fearrin & Mr. Doug Walker, at the request of the Councilor Carter appeared to discuss the cost increase associated with Liability Insurance Coverage and request a resolution to fund another \$324,000. Mr. Fearrin explained that quotes were requested from six companies with only two responding. Councilor Carter moved the County Council resolve to approve an additional appropriation of \$324,000. Councilor Altman seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

ADDITIONAL, TRANSFERS AND AMEND FORM 144

Councilor Altman moved to approve Assessors additional request of \$1,000. \$500 in 101.001.000.1005 Joan Dillinger and \$500 in 101.001.000.1009 Troy Olsen. Councilor Hiatt seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

Councilor McKinney moved to approve Auditor's additional request of \$22,161. \$2,030 in line item 101.003.000.3002 Maintenance Agreement; \$7,726 in 101.003.000.4004 Computer Hardware; and \$12,405 in 101.003.000.4005 Computer Software. Councilor Carter seconded motion. Motion carried (5-2) with Councilors Hiatt and Altman opposed.

Councilor Beaver moved to approve Commissioners additional request of \$39,200 in line item 101.011.000.3713 Contractual. Councilor Belden seconded motion. Roll call vote taken. Motion carried (6-1) with Councilor McKinney opposed.

Ms. Sandy Stewart, Hamilton County Senior Services appeared to request an additional of \$25,000 for the purchase of a building located at 1078 3rd Avenue SW, Carmel. Councilor Altman asked if Senior Services terminated or sell the building and not reinvest in a capitol project would Senior Services commit to remitting the monies back to the county. Ms. Stewart responded "Sure, Once we get in there we're not leaving."

Councilor Beaver moved to approve Commissioners additional request of \$25,000 in line item 101.011.000.3828 Hamilton County Senior Services. Councilor McKinney seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

Councilor Altman moved to approve Council additional request of \$2,250. \$1,000 in line item 101.015.000.1407 Overtime; \$250 in 101.015.000.3602 Mileage and 101.015.000.3743 Tuition. Councilor Beaver seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

Councilor Beaver moved to table ISS Board additional request of \$75,000. Councilor Altman seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

BJ Casali, ISS Manager addressed the Council asking that any renovations being contemplated in the Judicial Center or Courthouse be given to ISS to review for voice & data cable runs. They are experiencing problems in the Treasurer's Office.

Councilor Beaver moved to approve Planning transfer of \$23,530 from 101.030.000.1300 Part Time to 101.030.000.1006 Permit Coordinator/Reviewer and the additional appropriation of \$5000 in line item 101.030.000.1006 Permit Coordinator/Reviewer. Councilor Carter seconded motion. Motion carried (6-1) with Councilor Altman opposed.

Councilor Carter moved to approve Sheriff additional request of \$20,280 in line item 101.037.000.1410 Part Time Legal Advisor. Councilor Belden seconded motion. Motion carried (6-1) with Councilor McKinney opposed.

Councilor Altman moved to approve Treasurer's additional request of \$19,500 in line item 101.045.000.1300 Part Time. Councilor Beaver seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

Councilor Altman moved to approve Delaware Township & Noblesville Township additional request of \$1,500. \$500 in line item 101.056.000.1005 Terry McAbee; \$500 in line item 101.059.000.1006 James Pee and \$500 in line item 101.059.000.1007 Danielle Sheller. Councilor Beaver seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

Councilor Altman moved to amend Delaware Township Assessor 144 form for line item 101.056.000.1005 increasing to \$40,500. Councilor Hiatt seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

Councilor Hiatt moved to approve Washington Township Assessor transfer request of \$800 from line item 101.060.000.1002 PP Dir/Field Appraiser to 101.060.000.1001 Field Appraiser. Councilor Beaver seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

Councilor Hiatt moved to approve Reassessment additional request of \$1000. \$500 in line item 109.000.000.1001 Dara Waterman and \$500 in 109.000.000.1002 Kim Powell. Councilor Beaver seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

Councilor Beaver moved to approve Highway Coit additional request of \$300,000 in line item 283.000.000.3227 116th & Guilford. Councilor McKinney seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

Councilor Beaver moved to approve Highway Coit additional request of \$500,000 in line item 283.000.000.3956 116th & Springmill. Councilor Altman seconded motion. Roll call vote was taken, motion carried (4-3) with Councilors Hiatt, Levine and McKinney opposed.

Councilor Altman moved to approve Highway Coit additional request of \$2,000,000 in line item 283.000.000.3224 106th & College. Councilor Hiatt seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

Councilor Beaver moved to approve Highway Coit additional request of \$450,000 in line item 283.000.000.3228 206th & Cumberland. Councilor Belden seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

Councilor Belden moved to approve Health Department additional request of \$63,091.90 in Tobacco Settlement Fund 288. Councilor McKinney seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0). Line items affected are as follows: \$8,000 in 3501 Printing/Publications; \$2,091.90 in 3713 Interpretive Services; \$10,000 in 3831 Smoking Cessation Program; \$40,000 in 3832 Community Program Support and \$3,000 in 4011 Equipment.

Councilor Beaver moved to approve Probation Department additional request of \$49,166 in Federal Juvenile Accountability Fund #304. Councilor Hiatt seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0). Line items affected are as follows: \$33,576 in 1002 Probation Officer; \$2,569 in 1401 Social Security; \$4,140 in 1402 Insurance; \$2,770 in 1403 Retirement; \$5,842 in 3713 Contractual and \$269 in 3602 Mileage.

Councilor Hiatt moved to approve Unified Probation additional request of \$45,000 in line item 316.000.000.1015 PO Coordinator. Councilor Beaver seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

Councilor Beaver moved to approve Supplemental Public Defender additional request of \$110,420. \$54,260 in 322.018.000.1322 Contract Pauper Fees; \$28,080 in 322.018.142.1322 Contract Pauper Fees - Superior 4 and \$28,080 in 322.018.143.1322 Contract Pauper Fees - Superior 5. Councilor Belden seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

Councilor Belden moved to approve Prosecutor additional request of \$573 in Deferral Fund line item 378.000.000.1403. Councilor Carter seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

Councilor Altman moved to approve Prosecutor additional request of \$20,000 in Deferral line item 378.000.000.4011 HC Law Enforcement. Councilor Hiatt seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0).

ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS

There were none.

AUDITOR'S COMMENTS

There were none.

Councilor Belden motioned to adjourn. Councilor McKinney seconded motion. Motion carried (7-0). Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Those present:

Thomas Firks, Director EMD	BJ Casali, ISS Manager
Larry Stout, GIS Manager	Sally Wilson, Treasurer
Kate Lewis, Ledger	Dick Frost, Hamilton County Resident
Bob Fearnin, Fearnin Insurance	Doug Walker, Walker & Associated Insurance
Sandy Stewart, Senior Services	Madonna Roach, Probation
Polly Pearce, Court Administration	Tom Stevens, Highway

Les Locke, Highway

Jason LeMaster, Health Department

Barry McNulty, Health Department

Stephen Wood, Buildings & Grounds

Mike Baker, Jackson Twp Fire Dept. Susan Miller, Indianapolis Star

Sonia J. Leerkamp, Prosecutor

President

Auditor